

DISCONNECTED AND UNDERSERVED:

Improving Education for Youth in the Juvenile Justice System

Thursday, March 31, 2011

9:00 – 11:30 a.m.

Public Counsel

**610 South Ardmore Avenue
Los Angeles, CA 90005**

Regrettably, they are forgotten until they get in trouble with the law – and then the downward spiral accelerates! Young people involved in the juvenile justice system are the population of students in dire need of attention from education reformers. These youth are pushed out of school, receive limited and often dismal educational services when in our probation camps and juvenile halls, and encounter numerous obstacles to ongoing education when they re-enter their communities. It is estimated that fewer than twenty percent graduate high school. However, successful models do exist for re-engaging and educating these disconnected youth.

Join other education funders in our upcoming session focusing on the challenges facing youth in the probation system and hear from experts, leaders and passionate practitioners about innovative programs at the national and local levels that are showing promising results. Discuss with your colleagues the role philanthropy can play in addressing the issues and promoting effective solutions.

Panelists and speakers include:

Paul Cummins, Chief Executive Officer, New Visions Foundation

Laura Faer, Directing Attorney, Children's Rights Project, Public Counsel

Carrie Miller, Acting Manager of the Service Integration Branch, Chief Executive Office (CEO)

Constance L. Rice, Co-Director, Advancement Project

Mark Ridley-Thomas, Second District Supervisor, Los Angeles County

This meeting of the **Education Funders Group** is co-sponsored by the Southern California Grantmakers and the Children's Defense Fund – California

We hope you can join us.

Dorothy Fleisher, W. M. Keck Foundation and Ray Reisler, The William C. Bannerman Foundation, Co-Conveners, Education Funders Group.